

**Approval of January 9, 2003 Minutes**

**REGIONAL COUNCIL ATTACHMENT #3.1.1**

**Thursday, Feb. 6, 2003**

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

January 9, 2003

MINUTES

**THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL. AUDIO CASSETTE TAPE OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.**

The Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments held its meeting at SCAG Offices downtown offices. The meeting was called to order by President Hal Bernson, City of Los Angeles.

**Members Present**

Councilmember Hal Bernson, Los Angeles, President	District 59
Mayor Bev Perry, Brea	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President District 22
Supervisor Charles Smith, Orange County	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President
Supervisor Paul Biane, San Bernardino County	
Supervisor Yvonne Burke, Los Angeles County	
Supervisor Hank Kuiper, Imperial County	
Councilmember Jo Shields, Brawley	District 1
Councilmember Charles White, Moreno	District 3
Mayor Ron Roberts, Temecula	District 5
Councilmember Deborah Robertson, Rialto	District 8
Mayor Bill Alexander, Rancho Cucamonga	District 9
Councilmember Gary Ovitt, Ontario	District 10
Mayor Lawrence Dale, Barstow	District 11
Councilmember Tod Ridgeway, Newport Beach	District 14
Councilmember Alta Duke, La Palma	District 18
Councilmember Shirley McCracken, Anaheim	District 19
Councilmember Ron Bates, Los Alamitos	District 20
Councilmember Art Brown, Buena Park	District 21
Mayor Bruce Barrows, Cerritos	District 23
Councilmember Gene Daniels, Paramount	District 24
Councilmember Keith McCarthy, Downey	District 25
Councilmember Melanie Andrews, Compton	District 26
Councilmember George Bass, Bell	District 27
Councilmember Judy Dunlap, Inglewood	District 28
Councilmember Bonnie Lowenthal, Long Beach	District 29
Councilmember Tonia Reyes-Uranga, Long Beach	District 30
Mayor Pro Tem Bea Proo, Pico Rivera	District 31
Councilmember Dick Stanford, Azusa	District 33
Councilmember Paul Talbot, Alhambra	District 34
Councilmember Harry Baldwin, San Gabriel	District 35

### **Members Present – Cont’d**

Councilmember Sid Tyler, Pasadena	District 36
Councilmember Karen Rosenthal, Claremont	District 38
Councilmember Ken Blackwood, Lomita	District 39
Mayor Pro Tem Sandra Jacobs, El Segundo	District 40
Councilmember Pam O’Connor, Santa Monica	District 41
Councilmember Bob Yousefian, Glendale	District 42
Councilmember Mike Dispenza, Palmdale	District 43
Councilmember Dennis Washburn, Calabasas	District 44
Mayor Toni Young, Port Hueneme	District 45
Councilmember Glen Becerra, Simi Valley	District 46
Councilmember Carl Morehouse, San Buenaventura	District 47
Councilmember Ruth Galanter, Los Angeles	District 58
Mayor Debbie Cook, Huntington Beach	District 64

### **Members Not Present**

Supervisor Bob Buster, Riverside County	
Supervisor Judy Mikels, Ventura County	
Councilmember Greg Pettis, Cathedral City	District 2
Mayor Ron Loveridge, Riverside	District 4
Councilmember Lee Ann Garcia, Grand Terrace	District 6
Mayor Susan Longville, San Bernardino	District 7
Councilmember Cathryn De Young, Laguna Nigel	District 12
Mayor Richard Dixon, Lake Forest	District 13
Councilmember Lou Bone, Tustin	District 17
Councilmember Robert Bruesch, Rosemead	District 32
Councilmember Tom Sykes, Walnut	District 37
Mayor James Hahn, Los Angeles	At-Large
Councilmember Ed Reyes, Los Angeles	District 48
Councilmember Wendy Greuel, Los Angeles	District 49
Councilmember Dennis Zine, Los Angeles	District 50
Councilmember Tom LaBonge, Los Angeles	District 51
Councilmember Jack Weiss, Los Angeles	District 52
Councilmember Alex Padilla, Los Angeles	District 54
Councilmember Jan Perry, Los Angeles	District 56
Councilmember Nate Holden, Los Angeles	District 57
Councilmember Cindy Miscikowski, Los Angeles	District 58
Councilmember Eric Garcetti, Los Angeles	District 60
Councilmember Nick Pacheco, Los Angeles	District 61
Councilmember Janice Hahn, Los Angeles	District 62
Councilmember Jeff Miller, Corona	District 63
Councilmember Robin Lowe, Hemet	RCTC
Mayor Bill Davis, Simi Valley	VCTC

## **Staff Present**

Mark Pisano, Executive Director  
Jim Gosnell, Deputy Executive Director  
Colin Lennard, General Counsel  
Bert Becker, Chief Financial Officer  
John Cox, Director, Planning & Assessment  
Hasan Ikrata, Acting Director, Planning & Policy  
Jim Sims, Director, Information Services  
Shelia Stewart, Executive Assistant

### **1.0 CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no comments presented at this time.

### **3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR**

The following consent calendar items were MOVED (Bass), SECONDED (Proo) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

#### **3.1.1 Approve Minutes of Dec 5, 2002**

#### **3.1.2 Contracts**

- Parsons Brinkerhoff
- The C2 Group

#### **3.1.3 Sponsorship Request for the Western States Freight Summit**

#### **3.1.4 AMPO 2002-2003 Membership Dues**

#### **3.1.5 Approve SCAG Concurrence Designated Recipients of FTA Urbanized Area Formula funds for Census 2002 Newly Identified Urbanized Area over 200,000 in population in the SCAG Region**

#### **3.1.6 FY 2002-2003 NARC Membership Dues Held over**

### **3.2 Receive & File**

#### **3.2.1 Purchase Orders \$5,000 -\$25,000 (Info Only)**

- Compaq Computer
- Sodexho Marriott Services

#### **3.2.2 Conflict of Interest Listing – (Info Only)**

### **3.3 PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

#### **Regional Council Members**

Hon. Debbie Cook, representing District # 64, Huntington Beach

#### **Committee Officers**

Hon. Sid Tyler, Pasadena, Vice Chair, Administration Committee

#### **Regional Council Members to Policy Committees**

To TCC:      Hon. Paul Biane, San Bernardino County  
                 Hon. Jeff Miller, Corona  
                 Hon. Tonia Reyes Uranga, Long Beach

#### **Subregional Representatives to Policy Committees**

From SANBAG: Hon. Ted Burgnon, Apple Valley to CEHD

#### **Audit / Best Practices Oversight Committee (recently merged)**

Hon. Ron Bates, Los Alamitos  
Hon. Bob Buster, Riverside County  
Hon. Lee Ann Garcia, Grand Terrace  
Hon. Bea Proo, Pico Rivera  
Hon. Karen Rosenthal, Claremont  
Hon. Dick Stanford, Azusa  
Hon. Sid Tyler, Pasadena  
Hon. Charles White, Moreno Valley

#### **Aviation Task Force**

Hon. Paul Biane, San Bernardino County

#### **Growth Visioning Subcommittee**

Hon. Bruce Barrows, Cerritos

#### **Highway and Transportation Task Force**

Hon. Ted Burgnon, Apple Valley

#### **Personnel Committee**

Hon. Robin Lowe, RCTC

#### **Water Policy Task Force**

Hon. Keith McCarthy, Downey  
Hon. John McTaggart, Rancho Palos Verdes

### **3.3 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mark Pisano reported that the FY 2003-04 draft Overall Work Program (OWP) is required to be submitted to Caltrans by March 1, 2003. The RC will get a progress report in February.

Mr. Pisano also stated that achieving full funding of the FY 2003 federal transportation appropriations cycle and successfully re-authorizing the federal

transportation program known as TEA-21 remain a legislative priority and the focus of SCAG's legislative strategies. In conjunction with the region's transportation commissions, SCAG has undertaken a legislative initiative to enhance Southern California's prospects on current and future funding opportunities. The approach incorporates a formal regional priority projects list and an overall advocacy strategy utilizing existing legislative resources and commission support.

He noted a few of the activities underway during the month of January that includes: 1) Hosting a local press conference with Congresswoman Gary Miller to emphasize the necessity and importance of maintaining transportation funding levels for the region in both the final appropriations cycle of TEA-21 & TEA-3; 2) Sending a letter from the Regional Council to the Congressional Delegation on TEA-21 funding; and 3) Coordinating a trip to Washington, D.C. to brief Congressional members regarding the region's transportation funding priorities as well as soliciting their advice for moving SCAG's initiatives through the legislative process.

## **4.0 ACTION ITEMS**

### **4.1 Administration Committee Report**

#### **4.1.1 Approve FY 02-03 Indirect Cost Budget & Update of Budget Amendment #1**

It was MOVED (Tyler), SECONDED (Bates) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

#### **4.1.2 SCAG 2003 Legislative Program**

The Administration Committee recommended approval of the 2003 Legislative Program with the following amendments:

- Page 49, Housing and Land Use, 1<sup>st</sup> bullet – Add: “If this does not occur, we should seek legislation to suspend the mandate until such funding is available”.

Councilmember Young stated that she had no problems with the language however she felt that it should not be included as part the Legislative Program at this time and recommended that it be deleted. There were no objections. The amendment will not be included as part of the Program..

- Page 50, Solid Waste, 1<sup>st</sup> bullet – should read: “Support legislation that removes any impediments to transformation or conversion technologies relating to solid waste”.
- Page 50, Water, Add Bullet: “Track the 4.4 plan and its implementation”.
- Include an analysis/review of what took place during the legislative year with a comparison to the state and federal level.

It was MOVED (Brown), SECONDED (Barrows) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED to approve the 2003 Legislative Program with amendments.

- 4.1.3 Service Agreement with the Antelope Valley Transit Authority  
Held over.

4.2 **Transportation & Communications Committee (TCC) Report**

4.2.1 Proposed Revisions to 2001 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Goals

Mayor Roberts, Chair, stated that a set of proposed revised goals to guide the development of the 2004 Regional Transportation Plan were drafted for approval. The TCC recommended approval of the proposed revisions as presented. The proposed revisions are as follows: 1) Maximize mobility and accessibility for all people and goods in the region; 2) Ensure travel safety and reliability for all people and goods in the region; 3) Preserve and ensure sustainable regional transportation system; 4) Maximize the productivity of our transportation system; 5) Protect the environment, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency and; and 6) Encourage land use and growth patterns that complement our transportation investments.

It was MOVED (Roberts), SECONDED (Brown) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED to approve the proposed revisions.

4.2.2 Baseline Definition for 2004 RTP and Second Tier List of Regionally Significant Projects to be Grandfathered into the 2004 RTP

The TCC recommended that the Regional Council approved the RTP Baseline Definition and also adopt a Second Tier list of regionally significant projects (Primarily 2002 RTIP Build) that should be grandfathered into the 2004 RTP at the request of the County Transportation Commissions (CTCs).

It was MOVED (Roberts), SECONDED (Brown) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED to approve the recommendation.

4.2.3 Transportation Funding Shortfall

Transportation revenues will decline substantially in the near term due to the State General Fund deficit and more recent projections of the State Highway Account (SHA) cash balance. SCAG staff will continue to monitor and assess the fiscal impact of State budgetary actions – particularly, the Governor's FY2004 State Budget Proposal due to be released on January 10, 2003.

The Governor's Mid-Year Spending Reduction Proposal could potentially mean a nearly \$1 billion transportation funding loss for the SCAG Region through FY2004. Assuming the complete suspension of General Fund payments to transportation from FY2003 through FY2009, the SCAG Region could potentially lose over \$4 billion. Additionally, Caltrans' projected State Highway Account

shortfall could mean that the SCAG region would lose another ~\$1.7 billion. In total, the SCAG region could potentially lose nearly \$6 billion through FY2009.

Moreover, Congress has yet to enact the FY2003 Transportation Appropriations Bill. The State of California stands to lose \$270 million compared to FY2002 levels if in fact the final obligation limitation is set at \$27.7 billion as currently proposed by the House of Representatives. This is an information item.

#### 4.3 **Energy & Environment Committee (EEC) Report**

##### 4.3.1 **Product Stewardship Principles** **Sent back to EEC for further evaluation**

##### 4.3.2 **TCM Appendix for 2003 SCAQMP**

SCAG is responsible for identifying the Transportation Control Measures (TCMs) in the 2003 South Coast Air Quality Management Plan (SCAQMP). SCAG staff is currently preparing the Transportation Control Measure (TCM) Appendix for the 2003 SCAQMP, which is based on the TCMs outlined in the 2001 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), and includes TCM-related projects from the first two years of the 2002 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP). Staff recommends that the EEC and RC approve the following TCM strategies for incorporation into the 2003 SCAQMP: 1) TCM-01A: High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Improvements; 2) TCM-01B: Transit/Systems Management; and 3) TCM-01C: Information Services. This TCM Appendix will be incorporated into the 2003 SCAQMP.

The Draft 2003 SCAQMP for the South Coast Air Basin (SCAB) is tentatively scheduled to be released the third week in January 2003. Public workshops are expected to be held in January, and adoption by the SCAQMD Board is expected to occur in the Spring of 2003.

It was MOVED (Brown), SECONDED (Washburn) with one OBJECTION (Yousefian) and APPROVED.

#### 4.4 **Community, Economic & Human Development (CEHD)**

##### 4.4.1 **Growth Vision Program**

Mayor Alexander, Chair, reported that one interim product of the Compass Project will be the development of two growth scenarios for the 2004 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The development of these growth scenarios and corresponding EIR/RTP Alternatives will be early milestones in the current effort to create a streamlined and integrated EIR and RTP. Eventually, the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will become the analysis document for the Regional Council to evaluate and select the alternative that will become the 2004 RTP. This was presented as an information item.



#### 4.4.2 Technically Balanced Growth Projection

Huasha Liu, Manager, gave a brief overview on the Development of a Technically Balanced Growth Projection using Technical Criteria. She stated that the CEHD recommended the following:

- 1) The technical committee and staff should work together to develop a technically balanced growth projection in addition to the trend projection and local input. This will be forwarded together with the growth visioning alternatives for policy discussions.  
It was MOVED (Alexander) SECONDED (Bass) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.
- 2) That staff work together with the technical committee to develop a set of evaluation criteria including the examples of criteria.  
It was MOVED (Alexander), SECONDED (Bass) and UNANIMOUSLY
- 3) That the FTTF & CEHD have a joint workshop to further discuss some implications of the technical balanced growth projection.  
It was MOVED (Alexander), SECONDED (Bass) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

In addition there are some issues related the land constraints and the general plan build out that will be discussed at the joint workshop.

#### 4.4.3 Report on Redirecting Sprawl Within the Wall

Mayor Alexander stated that the report is intended to serve as a practical resource for entities interested in creating or encouraging the development of housing through reuse of existing structures. It is also a part of SCAG's larger effort to assist in the development of adequate housing supplies in the region. The CEHD recommended approval of the document.

It was MOVED (Alexander), SECONDED (Dispenza) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED to approve the report.

#### 4.4.4 Housing Gridlock in the Face of Growth: Fewer Choices/Higher Costs

It was MOVED (Alexander), SECONDED (Brown) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED to approve the annual report.

#### 4.4.5 Report on : Economic Forecast Conference and Regional Housing Summit

There was no report presented at this time.

#### **4.5     Communications Committee Report**

Councilmember Proo, Chair, stated that the Communications Committee discussed the following: 1) SCAG's approach to public outreach, particularly in terms of the various programs' outreach requirements and expectations in this time of shrinking resources; 2) The Growth Visioning, RTP and its EIR, Maglev, Aviation, and Air Quality programs and the need to have the outreach components coordinated; and 3) The RTP not having a communications/outreach budget; and 4) Maximizing the use of funds for outreach and staff resources as well as ensuring that SCAG speaks with a consistent and common voice that identifies a well-known image

She also reported that staff is developing a coordinated, integrated strategy for public outreach and communication that will be covered in our Strategic Communication Plan.

#### **5.0     INFORMATION ITEMS**

##### **5.1     Monthly Financial Report**

Presented as part of the Administration Report.

#### **6.0     COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no comments presented at this time.

#### **7.0     LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT**

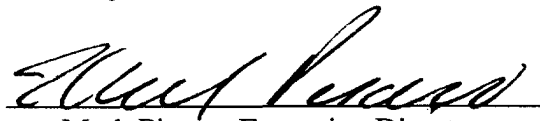
##### **7.1     Closed Session**

No closed session at this time.

- Pursuant to California Government Code Section §54956.9(a) SCAG v. HCD & BT&H

#### **8.0     ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 6, 2003 at SCAG Offices.

  
Mark Pisano, Executive Director